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SUBJ: CUBAN TRADE MINISTER'S COMMENT ON EMBARGO

1. CUBAN TRADE MINISTER MARCELLO FERNANDEZ FONT CURRENTLY VISITING MEXICO IN CONNECTION WITH INAUGURATION OF CUBAN TRADE EXHIBIT ENTITLED "CUBA 74". THAT EXHIBIT OPENED MAY 7 AT MEXICAN FOREIGN TRADE INSTITUTE HEADQUARTERS; INAUGURATION ATTENDED BY HIGH-LEVEL MEXICAN REPRESENTATIVES, INCLUDING SECRETARY OF INDUSTRY AND COMMERCE JOSE CAMPILLO SAINZ.

2. IN REMARKS TO PRESS SHORTLY BEFORE BANQUET IN HIS HONOR, FERNANDEZ FONT REPORTEDLY STATED THAT DAY-BY-DAY BREAKDOWN OF POLITICAL AND ECONOMIC BLOCKADE IMPOSED ON CUBA HAS ENABLED THAT COUNTRY TO REALIZE IMPORTANT ADVANCES IN ECONOMIC ACTIVITY. FERNANDEZ FONT EXPRESSED HOPE THAT CUBA WOULD RECEIVE 100,000 LATIN AMERICAN TOURISTS DURING 1974 AND REALIZE 1.5 BILLION DOLLARS IN EXPORTS.
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